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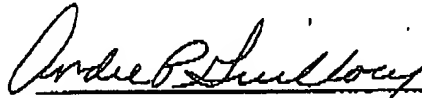
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I, Andre P. Guillory, state as follows.

1. I am the inventor of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/804,772, filed March 13, 2001, entitled System for Selective Notification of Severe Weather Events, (the "'772 patent application").
2. The '772 patent application was rejected as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,295,001, issued to Barber (the "Barber patent"). On the face of the Barber patent, the Barber patent has an identified filing date of August 21, 2000 (the "Barber patent filing date"), and an issue date of September 25, 2001.
3. My invention, as identified in the '772 patent application, was conceived and reduced to practice prior to the Barber patent filing date. I practiced due diligence between the time of my date of invention to the time the '772 patent application was filed. The following paragraphs provide support thereof.
4. On March 14, 2000, I filed a provisional patent application assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/189,160, entitled In Home/Office Tornado Alert System (the "'160 patent application"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.
5. Attached hereto as Exhibit B, and incorporated herein by reference, is the filing receipt for the '160 patent application.
6. Attached hereto as Exhibit C, and incorporated herein by reference, is a copy of a patent search I completed with the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. The sales slip for this search is dated February 10, 2000.

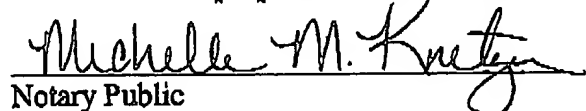
7. Further, I will file (through my attorney), on the date concurrent herewith, a petition for acceptance of an unintentionally delayed claim for priority to the '160 patent application. A copy of that petition is attached hereto as Exhibit D, and incorporated herein by reference. Further, an amendment requesting that the specification of the '772 patent application be amended to include the delayed claim for priority is filed concurrently herewith.

EXECUTED this 25 day of February, 2002.

  
Andre P. Guillory

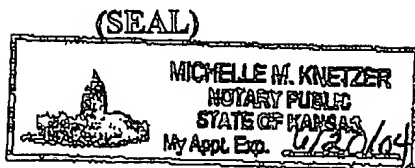
STATE OF Kansas )  
COUNTY OF Sedgwick ) ss.

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2002, before me personally appeared Andre P. Guillory, to me known to be the person described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

June 20, 2004



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